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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-16 are pending before this amendment. By the present amendment, no claims are canceled, amended or added. No new matter has been added.

In the office action (page 2), claims 1-4, 6-8 and 14-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0234958 (Sipusic). The "et al." suffix is omitted from the Sipusic reference name.

Applicants respectfully disagree with the rejections.

As to claim 1, Sipusic discloses a system for generating meta-data [0017]. Sipusic also discloses defining a location in the time-based medium and annotations relating to the context of the location [0017]. Sipusic does not disclose a meta data box including a digital item declaration (DID). Sipusic also does not disclose anything relating to a DID.

By contrast, claim 1 recites a method for addressing a media resource for a meta data box including a DID. A meta data box includes an item location box, a handler box, a data information box and a DID (page 8, lines 4-5). A DID is a document that specifies the makeup, structure and organisation of a Digital Item (see Wikipedia, Digital Item, Digital Item Declaration). Therefore, a meta data box and/or a DID includes far more than just a location of data, contrary to the statement of item 2 of the office action in paragraph 2 on page 2.

Claim 1 also recites extracting a corresponding media resource according to reference information of the media resource recorded in the DID, generating standard location information of the media resource extracted from the DID, and filling the meta data box. Therefore, claim 1 recites many elements requiring a DID or a meta data box, neither of which is disclosed by Sipusic.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 1. Applicants submit that claim 1 is not anticipated by Sipusic and is therefore allowable. Applicants further submit that claims 2-4 and 6-7 are not anticipated by Sipusic and are therefore allowable because claims 2-4 and 6-7 depend upon allowable claim 1.

Further as to claim 2, Sipusic discloses annotation to media on time-based

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location [0059]. The annotations are created by the users [0059]. Sipusic does not disclose a system generated offset value of the media data box. By contrast, claim 2 recites using an offset value of the media data box. The offset value is generated by a media resource extractor (page 11, lines 14-15). The offset value generated by a media resource extractor is clearly not the same element as a user supplied annotation to media.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 2. Applicants submit that claim 2 is not anticipated by Sipusic for these additional reasons.

As to claim 3, Sipusic discloses an MPEG 7 proposed standard [0007]. Sipusic does not disclose an offset value, as previously discussed. Sipusic also does not disclose using an MPEG-4 file. By contrast, claim 3 recites using an offset value of an MPEG (motion picture experts group)-4 file.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 3. Applicants submit that claim 3 is not anticipated by Sipusic for these additional reasons.

As to claim 4, Sipusic does not disclose a meta data box or an MPEG-4 file, as previously discussed. By contrast, claim 4 recites the meta data box of the MPEG-4 file.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 4. Applicants submit that claim 4 is not anticipated by Sipusic for these additional reasons.

As to claim 7, Sipusic discloses an MPEG 7 proposed standard [0007]. Sipusic also discloses a media clip [0049]. Sipusic does not disclose an MPEG-21 file. Media clips can be in many forms whereas an MPEG-21 file must follow a specific set of standards.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 7. Applicants submit that claim 7 is not anticipated by Sipusic for these additional reasons.

As to claim 8, Sipusic does not disclose a meta data box or anything relating to a DID, as previously discussed. By contrast, claim 8 recites a meta data box including a DID, a media resource recorded in the DID, information in the meta data box, and filing

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the meta data box. Therefore, claim 8 recites many elements requiring a DID or a meta data box, neither of which is disclosed by Sipusic, as previously discussed.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claim 8. Applicants submit that claim 8 is not anticipated by Sipusic and is therefore allowable.

As to claims 14 and 15, Sipusic does not disclose a meta data box or anything relating to a DID, as previously discussed. By contrast claims 14 and 15 recite a meta data box including a DID, reference information of the media resource recorded in the DID, when the DID refers to the media resource in the file, and when the DID refers to the media resource out of the file. Claim 14 also recites a DID reader. Therefore, claims 14 and 15 recite many elements requiring a DID or a meta data box, neither of which is disclosed by Sipusic, as previously discussed.

Applicants submit that Sipusic does not disclose each and every element of claims 14 and 15. Applicants submit that claims 14 and 15 are not anticipated by Sipusic and are therefore allowable.

Applicants respectfully request that the 35 U.S.C. §102(e) rejections of claims 1-4, 6-8 and 14-15 be withdrawn.

In the office action (page 5), claims 5, 9-13 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Sipusic in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,580,756 (Matsui). The "et al." suffix is omitted from the Matsui reference name.

Applicants respectfully disagree with the rejections.

Sipusic does not teach or suggest a meta data box or anything relating to a DID, as previously discussed. Matsui teaches representing data in digital formats (column 1, lines 25-27). Matsui does not teach or suggest using meta data. Matsui also does not teach or suggest a meta data box or anything relating to a DID.

By contrast, claims 1, 8 and 15 all recite numerous elements requiring a meta data box and/or a DID, as previously discussed.

Therefore, applicants submit that neither Sipusic nor Matsui, singly or in combination, teach or suggest each and every element of claims 1, 8 and 15. Applicants submit that claims 1, 8 and 15 are patentable over Sipusic in view of Matsui and are therefore allowable. Applicants further submit that claims 5, 9-13 and 16 are

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patentable over Sipusic in view of Matsui because claims 5, 9-13 and 16 depend upon allowable claims 1, 8 and 15 respectively.

Further as to claims 11-13, Sipusic teaches an MPEG 7 proposed standard [0007]. Matsui teaches MPEG 1, MPEG 2 and MPEG 4 standards (column 1, lines 62-65). Sipusic does not teach or suggest offset values of a region in which the media resource is stored, as previously discussed. Matsui also does not teach or suggest offset values of a region in which the media resource is stored. Neither Sipusic nor Matsui teach or suggest an MPEG 21 file.

By contrast, claims 11-13 recite offset values of a region in which the media resource/MPEG-4 file is stored. Claims 11-13 also each recite multiple elements requiring an MPEG-21 file.

Applicants submit that neither Sipusic nor Matsui, singly or in combination, teach or suggest each and every element of claims 11-13. Applicants submit that claims 11-13 are patentable over Sipusic in view of Matsui for these additional reasons.

As to claim 16, neither Sipusic nor Matsui teach or suggest anything relating to a DID, as previously discussed. By contrast, claim 16 recites that the DID refers to the media resource.

Applicants submit that neither Sipusic nor Matsui, singly or in combination, teach or suggest each and every element of claim 16. Applicants submit that claim 16 is patentable over Sipusic in view of Matsui for these additional reasons.

For the reasons set forth above, the applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-16, now pending in this application, are in condition for allowance over the cited references. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and earnestly solicit an indication of allowable subject matter.

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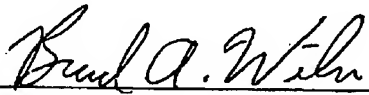
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This amendment is considered to be responsive to all points raised in the office action. Should the examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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